



West Virginia Senate

Committee on Health and Human Resources

Minutes for MARCH 02, 2021, 1:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources met on March 02, 2021, 1:00 PM in Room 451-M.

Members present: Senators Maroney, Grady, Azinger, Rucker, Takubo, Weld, Woodrum, Lindsay, Plymale, Stollings, Unger

Members absent: Senators Roberts, Stover

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

On motion of Senator Grady, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

SB334 – Establishing license application process for harm reduction program

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented a revised Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 334. Counsel explained all revisions to the previous Committee Substitute presented February 25, 2021. The Chairman also provided to each member a handout that detailed each revision and the page/line number as a reference. Counsel responds to questions from the Committee.

Senator Woodrum moved to amend the Committee Substitute to add the term “proxy” and “secondary exchange” into the definitions for clarity. Senator Plymale asked counsel questions regarding Senator Woodrum’s proposed amendment. Chairman Maroney put forth the question on the adoption of the amendment to Senate Bill 334 proposed by Senator Woodrum. The amendment was adopted. Chairman Maroney put forth the question on the agreement to the language of the Committee Substitute to Senate Bill 334, as amended. The motion was adopted.

Senators Plymale, Lindsay and Stollings addressed the Committee in opposition to the Committee Substitute for SB 334. Senator Takubo asked if Senator Plymale would yield and Senator Plymale agrees. Senator Takubo inquired what part of Senate Bill 334 would shut down the Huntington program and he and Senator Plymale proceeded to discuss this matter further. Senator Takubo then addressed the Committee regarding the bill. Senator Maroney addressed the Committee regarding the bill.

The Chairman recognized Senator Grady who moved to recess until 15 minutes following the adjournment of the Judiciary and Finance committee meetings. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was adopted.

Meeting reconvened at approximately 5:15 pm and the Chairman called meeting to order.

Senator Plymale addressed the Committee regarding issues presented to him earlier about Senate Bill 334. Chairman Maroney recognized Senator Grady, who moved that the

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 334 be reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was adopted.

Division was called. Chairman Maroney asked for a show of hands in favor of Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 334 being reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. Ten (10) Senators raised their hand in favor. Chairman Maroney asked for a show of hands of those who opposed. Three (3) Senators raised their hand in opposition.

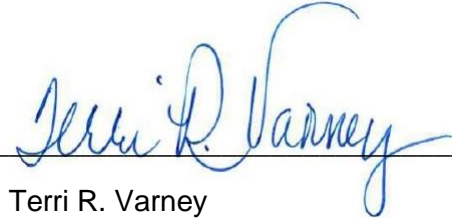
SB390 – Reorganizing Health Care Authority under DHHR and clarifying responsibilities for all-payer claims database

Chairman Maroney recognized Cindy Dellinger, counsel, Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources, who presented Senate Bill 390, reorganizing Health Care Authority under DHHR and clarifying responsibilities for all-payer claims database, in lieu of having it read. Counsel responded to questions from the Committee. Chairman Maroney recognized Senator Grady, who moved that Senate Bill 390 be reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass. The Chairman put the question on the motion. The motion was adopted.

On Motion of Senator Grady, the Committee adjourned.



Michael J. Maroney
Chairman



Terri R. Varney
Committee Clerk/Analyst